Performance of EOUs

3241. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the performance of Export Oriented Units (EOUs) and units set up in the Export Processing zones/free trade zones;

(b) if so, the details of performance of the schemes State-wise and scheme-wise during 1996-97 and how does it compare with the performance during the corresponding earlier period by standard parameters;

(c) what are the merging trends in the evaluation of these schemes-outstanding achievements as well as major failures noticed; and

(d) details of proposals received for Restructuring /Revamping of these schemes to make them more transparent/ effective and result oriented-action taken/proposed thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULI RAMAIAH): (a) The performance of Export Oriented Units and Units in the Export Processing Zones/Free Trade Zones is reviewed annually on the basis of data received from the respective Development Commissioners.

(b) Since the data for the year 1996-97 in respect of all Zones/EOUs is required to be submitted by the concerned Development Commissioners by June/ July, 97, the details of performance and comparative performance with the corresponding earlier period are not known as on date.

(c) The rate of annual growth of export of EOU/EPZ units is higher than the national average annual growth of export. Whearas Gem & Jewellery, Electronics and Garments are the leading performers in items of export performance among the EPZ units, textile including yarns, agro based products and chemical, plastic and allied industry are the leading performers under the EOUs scheme.

(d) Based on interaction with the trade and industry, and their suggestions received in respect of the EOUs/EPZ Scheme, several major amendments have been effected in the Export and Import Policy, 1997-2002 to introduce more automaticity in the scheme, further simplify procedures, and give better incentives to make the schemes result oriented.

Export Oriented Units

3242. SHRI PARAG CHALIHA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any export oriented units have been set-up in the country particularly in tribal areas of North-East Region, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof, location-wise; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINSITER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULI RAMAIAH): (a) to (c) 891 Export Oriented Units have been set up in the Country. Their State wise location is given in the Statement annexed. (*See* below)

In respect of the number of Export Oriented Units set up in the tribal areas of North East Region, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan information is begin collected, and will be placed on the Table of the House.